

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method comprising:
2 receiving document data for printing a document from an application;
3 accessing information associated with a sender of the document data; and
4 formatting a page to be printed such that the page comprises at least a portion of the
5 received document data and the accessed information, and the accessed information is
6 located between document margins and printer allowable margins.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1 further comprising:
2 receiving a request to format information associated with a sender of document
3 data; and
4 generating a user interface that allows formatting of information associated with a
5 sender of document data.
- 1 3. The method of claim 2 wherein the user interface allows specification of
2 the orientation of information associated with a sender of document data.
- 1 4. The method of claim 2 wherein the user interface allows specification of
2 information associated with a sender of document data.
- 1 5. The method of claim 2 wherein the user interface allows specification of
2 the presentation style of information associated with a sender of document data.
- 1 6. The method of claim 2 wherein the user interface allows specification of
2 the location of information associated with a sender of document data.

1 7. The method of claim 1 wherein formatting a page to be printed comprises
2 checking whether the accessed information for the formatted page fits between the
3 document margins and the printer allowable margins.

1 8. The method of claim 7 further comprising initiating an alert if the accessed
2 information for the formatted page does not fit between the document margins and the
3 printer allowable margins.

1 9. The method of claim 8 further comprising allowing the format of the
2 accessed information to be changed.

1 10. The method of claim 1 further comprising associating the received
2 document data with a sender of the document data.

1 11. The method of claim 10 wherein associating the received document data
2 with a sender of the document data comprises determining a sender identifier
3 accompanying the document data.

1 12. The method of claim 1 wherein accessing information associated with a
2 sender of the document data comprises querying a database comprising sender associated
3 information.

1 13. The method of claim 1 further comprising generating a message
2 comprising the formatted page.

1 14. A system comprising:
2 an apparatus comprising:
3 a memory, wherein the memory is operable to store received document
4 data for printing a document from an application, and
5 a processor coupled to the memory, the processor operable to:
6 access information associated with a sender of the document data,
7 and
8 format a page to be printed such that the page comprises at least a
9 portion of the received document data and the accessed information, and the accessed
10 information is located between document margins and printer allowable margins.

1 15. The system of claim 14 wherein document data includes data relating to
2 appearance and content of a document.

1 16. The system of claim 14 wherein the processor is further operable to format
2 document data in relation with formatting requirements associated with a printer.

1 17. The system of claim 14 wherein the apparatus comprises a printer driver.

1 18. The system of claim 14 wherein the processor is further operable to:
2 receive a request to format information associated with a sender of document
3 data; and
4 generate a user interface that allows formatting of information associated with a
5 sender of document data.

1 19. The system of claim 18 wherein the user interface allows specification of
2 the content and appearance of information associated with a sender of document data.

1 20. The system of claim 14 wherein formatting a page to be printed comprises
2 checking whether the accessed information for the formatted page fits between the
3 document margins and the printer allowable margins.

1 21. An article comprising a machine-readable medium storing instructions
2 operable to cause one or more machines to perform operations comprising:
3 determining whether document data for printing a document from an application
4 has been received;
5 accessing information associated with a sender of the document data; and
6 formatting a page to be printed such that the page comprises at least a portion of
7 the received document data and the accessed information, and the accessed information is
8 located between document margins and printer allowable margins.

1 22. The article of claim 21 wherein the instructions are further operable to
2 cause one or more machines to perform operations comprising:
3 receiving a request to format information associated with a sender of document
4 data; and
5 generating a user interface that allows formatting of information associated with a
6 sender of document data.

1 23. The article of claim 22 wherein the user interface allows specification of
2 the content and appearance of information associated with a sender of document data.

1 24. The article of claim 21 wherein formatting a page to be printed comprises
2 checking whether the accessed information for the formatted page fits between the
3 document margins and the printer allowable margins.

1 25. The article of claim 24 wherein the instructions are further operable to
2 cause one or more machines to perform operations comprising initiating an alert that
3 accessed information for the formatted page does not fit between the document margins
4 and the printer allowable margins.

1 26. The article of claim 25 wherein the instructions are further operable to
2 cause one or more machines to perform operations comprising allowing the format of the
3 accessed information for the formatted page to be changed.

1 27. The article of claim 21 wherein the instructions are further operable to
2 cause one or more machines to perform operations comprising associating the received
3 document data with a sender of the document data.

1 28. The article of claim 21 wherein accessing information associated with a
2 sender of document data comprises querying a database comprising sender associated
3 information.

1 29. The article of claim 21 wherein the instructions are further operable to
2 cause one or more machines to perform operations comprising generating a message
3 comprising the formatted page.

1 30. A system comprising:
2 means for receiving document data for printing a document from an application,
3 accessing information associated with a sender of the document data, and formatting a
4 page to be printed such that the page comprises at least a portion of the received
5 document data and the accessed information, and the accessed information is located
6 between document margins and printer allowable margins.

1 31. The system of claim 30 wherein formatting a page to be printed comprises
2 checking whether the accessed information for the formatted page fits between the
3 document margins and the printer allowable margins.

1 32. The system of claim 31 wherein formatting a page to be printed comprises
2 initiating an alert if the accessed information for the formatted page does not fit between
3 the document margins and the printer allowable margins.

1 33. A method comprising:
2 receiving document data for printing a document from an application, wherein the
3 document data comprises data relating to content and format of a document;
4 determining an identifier associated with a sender of the document data;
5 accessing information associated with the sender identifier, including querying a
6 database comprising sender associated information;
7 formatting a page to be printed such that the page comprises at least a portion of
8 the received document data and the accessed information, and the accessed information is
9 located between document margins and printer allowable margins;
10 checking whether the accessed information for the formatted page fits between
11 the document margins and the printer allowable margins;
12 initiating an alert if the accessed information for the formatted page does not fit
13 between the document margins and the printer allowable margins;
14 generating a user interface that allows formatting of content, location, orientation,
15 and appearance of information associated with a sender; and
16 generating a message comprising the formatted page.